

Addressing Historical Inequities: Environmental Justice for Native Americans

Date: August 21, 2013
Time: 12:00-1:30 p.m. ET

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Description: Environmental health disparities disproportionately affect the 5.2 million Native Americans, Native Hawaiians, and Alaska Natives in the U.S. This webinar will highlight several ongoing environmental justice issues that tribal groups have mobilized around for many years and highlight the environmental health disparities that continue to affect these populations. The case studies presented exemplify culturally sensitive approaches that have been successful to address EJ and that do not represent “forced acculturation” of investigator-driven, evidence-based interventions but instead a move towards greater incorporation of Tribal Ecological Knowledge. The webinar will also touch upon issues that remain unresolved despite existing efforts to mitigate or prevent environmental exposures that are known to be harmful. This includes the harmful effects of leach mining on tribal lands and community engagement in development of education about environmental risks. The webinar will also highlight key outcomes of the session on environmental justice and Native Americans held at the Environmental Health Disparities and Environmental Justice Meeting (July 29-31, 2013).

Presentations:



Adding Insult to Injury: Environmental Injustice, Water, and Mining on Tribal Lands

Johnnye Lewis, Ph.D.
University of New Mexico



Community Building within American Indian Communities: Digital Storytelling's Role in Public Health Education and Promotion

Annie Belcourt, Ph.D.
University of Montana



Self-determination, Environmental Health Stewardship, and Water Health Disparities

Clarita Lefthand-Begay, M.S.
University of Washington



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